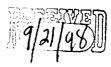


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Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Food and Drug Administration 200 C St. SW Washington, DC 20204

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Section 403(r)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and Section 101.93 of FDA's regulations, we hereby notify you that we are using the following statement(s):

- (1) Name and address of manufacturer:
  Pharmavite Corporation, PO Box 9606, Mission Hills, CA 91346
- (2) Text of the statement(s):
  ANTIOXIDANT HELPS BOOST IMMUNE SYSTEM

Once thought to be a vitamin, Alpha Lipoic Acid is a natural substance in the body. It has strong antioxidant properties by itself, but it may also work synergistically in stimulating the production and recycling of other antioxidants.

- (3) Name of the dietary ingredient if not provided in the text of the statement: see above
- (4) Name of the dietary supplement:
  products containing Alpha Lipoic Acid as a single ingredient or in combination
  with other ingredients

The above statement(s) may be used in one or more of the following brands of products: Nature Made, Sunny Maid, Nature's Resource, AAFES, AARP, Osco, Sav-On, Valu Wise, Bartell Drug, CVS, Duane Reade, Walgreens, Longs, Spring Valley, Brite Life, Family Pharmacy, GNP, Valu-Rite.

We certify the information in this notice is complete and accurate, and we have substantiation that the above statement(s) is truthful and not misleading.

Sincerely,

David Kropp

Manager, Regulatory and Legal Affairs

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